ARCANO TENNO **KER BOTTS** LLP EE TRANSMITT Complete if Known Application Number 09/594,905 for FY 2003 Filing Date 06/15/2000 Cabeo First Named Inventor ffective 01/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision. Padgett, M. **Examiner Name** Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27 Art Unit 1762 TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 860A33169-PCT-USA 070255.0590 Attorney Docket No. METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply) FEE CALCULATION (continued) Money Order 3. ADDITIONAL FEES Check Credit card Other arge Entity | Small Entity Deposit Account: Fee Fee Fee Description Deposit Code Code (\$) (\$) Fee Paid 02-4377 Account 1051 2051 130 65 Surcharge - late filing fee or oath Number Deposit Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or 1052 50 2052 Baker Botts LLP Account cover sheet Name 1053 130 1053 130 Non-English specification The Commissioner is authorized to: (check all that apply) 1812 2:520 1812 2;520 For filling a request for ex parte reexamination Charge fee(s) indicated below Credit any overpayments 1804 920 920* Requesting publication of SIR prior to 1804 Charge any additional fee(s) due by reason of this submission Examiner action Charge fee(s) indicated below, except for the filing fee 1805 1,840 1805 1.840* Requesting publication of SIR after to the above-identified deposit account. Examiner action 110 2251 1251 110 55 Extension for reply within first month FEE CALCULATION Extension for reply within second month 1252 410 2252 1. BASIC FILING FEE 1253 930 2253 arge Entity Small Entity 465 Extension for reply within third month Fee Description Fee Paid Fee ree Code (\$) 1,450 2254 725 Extension for reply within fourth month Code (\$) 985 Extension for reply within fifth month 1255 1,970 2255 1001 750 2001 375 Utility filing fee 1401 320 1002 330 2002 165 Design filing fee 2401 160 Notice of Appeal 1003 520 1402 320 2402 2003 260 Plant filing fee 160 Filing a brief in support of an appeal 280 140 Request for oral hearing 1004 750 2004 375 Reissue filing fee 2403 1005 160 2005 1451 1,510 1451 1,510 Petition to institute a public use proceeding 80 Provisional filing fee 1452 110 2452 55 Petition to revive - unavoidable SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) () 1453 1,300 2453 650 Petition to revive - unintentional 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE 1501 1,300 2501 650 Utility issue fee (or reissue) Fee from Extra Claims Fee Paic below 1502 470 2502 235 Design issue fee **Total Claims** 20 = 0 0 1503 630 2503 315 Plant issue fee Independent Claims — Multiple Dependent 1460 130 130 Petitions to the Commissioner 1460 1807 50 1807 50 Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(g) Large Entity Small Entity 1806 180 1806 180 Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt Fee Description Fee Fee 40 Recording each patent assignment per Code (\$) Code (\$) 8021 40 8021 property (times number of properties) 1202 Claims in excess of 20 18 2202 9 375 Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a)) 1809 750 2809 1201 84 2201 42 Independent claims in excess of 3 1203 280 2203 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid 1810 750 2810 375 For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b)) 1204 84 2204 Reissue independent claims over original patent 1801 750 2801 375 Request for Continued Examination (RCE) 1205 18 2205 ** Reissue claims in excess of 20 1802 900 1802 900 Request for expedited examination and over original patent of a design application Other fee (specify) SUBTOTAL (2) *Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid **or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above SUBTOTAL (3) (\$)860 SUBMITTED BY (Complete (if applicable) Registration No. Name (Print/Type) Gary Abeley 40.479 Telephone (212) 408-2522

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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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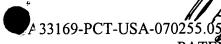
is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53 (d) (PTOISBI29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated January 16, 2003.

A Request for Continued Examination is filed concurrently herewith. Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.